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This paper provides information about Army National Guard (ARNG) Military Construction (MILCON) funding as it relates to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the State of Wyoming and the Wyoming National Guard.

ARNG MILCON funds are designated for the planning, design and construction of complete and usable ARNG facilities. These are federal funds allocated to the Department of Defense (DOD). The National Guard Bureau (NGB) through the Director of the ARNG (DARNG) manages the funds for DOD and executes the funds through the office of the United States Property and Fiscal Officer (USPFO) of each of the respective states, territories and the District of Columbia. The DARNG further set the criteria that these funds would be used for the construction of readiness centers.

The ARRA includes \$50 million for ARNG MILCON. These funds will remain available until September 30, 2013. The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the DARNG, has until March 15, 2009 to provide an expenditure plan for the \$50 million to both houses of congress.

The WY ARNG has one project which has met all criteria and is under consideration for the Secretary's plan: an \$18 million readiness center for the helicopter medical evacuation unit, designated as the C/5-159 GSAB, located in Cheyenne. This facility will be co-located with the Army Aviation Support Facility currently under construction on F. E. Warren Air Force Base. If this project isn't funded, we don't expect that the WY ARNG would receive any ARNG MILCON funding as a part of ARRA 09.

We expect the DARNG to announce the contents of the ARNG MILCON plan within the next several days.

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